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STATUS INQUIRY

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Sir:

Our office received a Notice of Publication of Application for the above-identified application advising us of the August 31, 2006, publication date. Since more than eleven months have elapsed since that date, it is respectfully requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office indicate when action by the Office can be expected.

This communication is filed within the spirit of the Office practice regarding status inquiries because of the length of time which has elapsed since receipt of the Notice of Publication of Application and to demonstrate diligence should an Office Action have been mailed in the intervening period and not received in the Office of the undersigned

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